

## REQUEST FOR ACCESS BREAK APPROVAL

Project Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Project Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Use of Access Break:

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Identify guardrail, bridges, signs, and other obstructions and their location in the mainline median and shoulders for 2,000 feet (610 m) both directions from the access break:

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Proposed opening and closing dates for the access break: From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
Describe the location of known or observed archeological, historical, or environmentally sensitive site(s) within 500 feet (152 m) of the access break and associated haul road(s):

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What is the mainline grade on each side of the access break for 2,000 feet (610 m)?

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What is the haul road grade from its intersection with the mainline to 1,000 feet (305 m) back along its line? \_\_\_\_\_ %

Interstate ADT: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent Truck Traffic: \_\_\_\_\_ %

Proposed time each day the access break will be open: From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the security measures for access and right of way control:

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Other information: (intersections with railroad, frontage road, etc.):

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Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a separate detailed traffic control plan on 11-inch by 17-inch (ledger) paper showing the following information:

- 1) Ensure the plan covers 2,000 feet (610 m) of the mainline each direction from the access break intersection and 1,000 feet (305 m) back along the haul road from its intersection with the mainline or the load point, whichever is shorter.
- 2) Access break location (by reference post) and which lane(s) it intersects with.
- 3) Location of obstructions (guardrail, signs, etc.) in the median and shoulders and their approximate size.
- 4) Sight distances both directions from the access breaks intersection with the mainline.
- 5) Distance to nearest interchange in both directions from the access break.
- 6) Location and distance from the access break to public roads and railroads within 1 mile (1.6 km) of the access break.
- 7) Detail the traffic control devices to be used and their location on each roadway.
- 8) Show the traffic flow pattern for the mainline traffic; haul units and other roadways, if applicable.

Access break requests with the following conditions are to be reviewed and approved by the EPM and FHWA:

Access breaks that fall outside of the project limits.

Access breaks within 1 mile (1.6 km) of an existing interchange.

Access breaks that fall within the following areas:

**Missoula Area:**

On I-90 from MP 95 to MP 113

**Butte Area**

On I-15 from MP 118 to MP 131

On I-90 from MP 218 to MP 229

**Helena Area**

On I-15 from MP 190 to MP 196

**Great Falls Area**

On I-15 from MP 275 to MP 281

**Bozeman and Belgrade Area**

On I-90 from MP 296 to MP 310

**Billings –Laurel Area**

On I-90 from MP 430 to MP 457

On I-94 from MP 0 to MP 2

**Glendive Area**

On I-94 from MP 206 to MP 216

**Do not break the controlled access until the access break request is approved.**